

# House File 315 - Enrolled

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1 3 AN ACT  
1 4 CREATING AN IOWA COLLABORATION FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL  
1 5 AND STATE OF IOWA YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL IN THE  
1 6 DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS.  
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1 8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:  
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1 10 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 216A.140 IOWA COLLABORATION FOR  
1 11 YOUTH DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL == STATE OF IOWA YOUTH ADVISORY  
1 12 COUNCIL.  
1 13 1. DEFINITIONS. For the purposes of this section, unless  
1 14 the context otherwise requires:  
1 15 a. "Youth" means children and young persons who are ages  
1 16 six through twenty-one years.  
1 17 b. "Youth advisory council" means the state of Iowa youth  
1 18 advisory council created by this section.  
1 19 c. "Youth development council" means the Iowa  
1 20 collaboration for youth development council created by this  
1 21 section.  
1 22 2. COLLABORATION COUNCIL CREATED. An Iowa collaboration  
1 23 for youth development council is created as an alliance of  
1 24 state agencies that address the needs of youth in Iowa.  
1 25 3. PURPOSE. The purpose of the youth development council  
1 26 is to improve the lives and futures of Iowa's youth by doing  
1 27 all of the following:  
1 28 a. Adopting and applying positive youth development  
1 29 principles and practices at the state and local levels.  
1 30 b. Increasing the quality, efficiency, and effectiveness  
1 31 of opportunities and services and other supports for youth.  
1 32 c. Improving and coordinating state youth policy and  
1 33 programs across state agencies.  
1 34 4. VISION STATEMENT. All youth development activities  
1 35 addressed by the youth development council shall be aligned  
2 1 around the following vision statement: "All Iowa youth will  
2 2 be safe, healthy, successful, and prepared for adulthood."  
2 3 5. MEMBERSHIP. The youth development council membership  
2 4 shall be determined by the council itself and shall include  
2 5 the directors or chief administrators, or their designees,  
2 6 from the following state agencies and programs:  
2 7 a. Child advocacy board.  
2 8 b. Iowa commission on volunteer service in the office of  
2 9 the governor.  
2 10 c. Department of education.  
2 11 d. Department of human rights.  
2 12 e. Department of human services.  
2 13 f. Department of public health.  
2 14 g. Department of workforce development.  
2 15 h. Governor's office of drug control policy.

2 16 i. Iowa cooperative extension in agriculture and home  
2 17 economics.  
2 18 j. Office of community empowerment in the department of  
2 19 management.

2 20 6. PROCEDURE. Except as otherwise provided by law, the  
2 21 youth development council shall determine its own rules of  
2 22 procedure and operating policies, including but not limited to  
2 23 terms of members. The youth development council may form  
2 24 committees or subgroups as necessary to achieve its purpose.

2 25 7. DUTIES. The youth development council's duties shall  
2 26 include but are not limited to all of the following:  
2 27 a. Study, explore, and plan for the best approach to  
2 28 structure and formalize the functions and activities of the  
2 29 youth development council to meet its purpose, and make formal  
2 30 recommendations for improvement to the governor and general  
2 31 assembly.  
2 32 b. Review indicator data and identify barriers to youth  
2 33 success and develop strategies to address the barriers.  
2 34 c. Coordinate across agencies the state policy priorities  
2 35 for youth.  
3 1 d. Strengthen partnerships with the nonprofit and private  
3 2 sectors to gather input, build consensus, and maximize use of  
3 3 existing resources and leverage new resources to improve the  
3 4 lives of youth and their families.  
3 5 e. Oversee the activities of the youth advisory council.  
3 6 f. Seek input from and engage the youth advisory council  
3 7 in the development of more effective policies, practices, and  
3 8 programs to improve the lives and futures of youth.  
3 9 g. Report annually by February 1 to the governor and  
3 10 general assembly.

3 11 8. STATE OF IOWA YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL. A state of Iowa  
3 12 youth advisory council is created to provide input to the  
3 13 governor, general assembly, and state and local policymakers  
3 14 on youth issues.  
3 15 a. The purpose of the youth advisory council is to foster  
3 16 communication among a group of engaged youth and the governor,  
3 17 general assembly, and state and local policymakers regarding  
3 18 programs, policies, and practices affecting youth and  
3 19 families; and to advocate for youth on important issues  
3 20 affecting youth.  
3 21 b. The youth advisory council shall consist of no more  
3 22 than twenty=one youth ages fourteen through twenty years who  
3 23 reside in Iowa. Membership shall be for two=year staggered  
3 24 terms. The department director, or the director's designee,  
3 25 shall select council members using an application process.  
3 26 The department director or the director's designee shall  
3 27 strive to maintain a diverse council membership and shall take  
3 28 into consideration race, ethnicity, disabilities, gender, and  
3 29 geographic location of residence of the applicants.  
3 30 c. Except as otherwise provided by law, the youth advisory  
3 31 council shall determine its own rules of procedure and  
3 32 operating policies, subject to approval by the department  
3 33 director or the director's designee.  
3 34 d. The youth advisory council shall meet at least  
3 35 quarterly.

4 1 9. LEAD AGENCY. The lead agency for support of the Iowa  
4 2 collaboration for youth development council and the state of

4 3 Iowa youth advisory council is the department. The department  
4 4 shall coordinate activities and, with funding made available  
4 5 to it for such purposes, provide staff support for the youth  
4 6 development council and the youth advisory council.

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4 18 I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and  
4 19 is known as House File 315, Eighty=third General Assembly.

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